

Recycling Notes & Rules

- **THE SCHEDULE** for curbside collection of commingled recyclables and newspapers *is generally* area 1 on the first Friday, area 2 on the second Friday, area 3 on the third Friday and area 4 on the fourth Friday of each month. Garden debris curbside collection *is usually* on Monday in area 1, Tuesday in area 2, Wednesday in area 3 and Thursday in area 4. This schedule may be changed around holidays always check the [calendar](#) for exact curbside collection days in your area.

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NO PLASTIC BAGS EVER to hold recyclables or garden debris!!

- **COMMINGLED RECYCLABLES** including glass bottles, aluminum & metal cans, plastic containers, and aluminum foil & pie plates, must be rinsed clean for either curbside collection or if brought to the Depot. Remove caps & lids, labels & rings may stay. For curbside collection, place in a sturdy non-disposable plastic or metal garbage can. Do not crush or break items. Containers must be no larger than 32 gallons, must weigh no more than 50 pounds, and have 2 handles. Plastic containers to be recycled must have either a 1 or 2 inside the recycling symbol, must not be brown beer balls or black in color, i.e. film canisters. Any plastic container with a number other than 1 or 2 is not acceptable.

- **NEWSPAPERS** for curbside collection must be tied into bundles, not more than 12" high, secured with string, twine or cord. Newspapers brought to the Depot may be either tied or loose, but if transported in paper bags or boxes, the bags or boxes must be separated from the newspapers. The boxes must be placed with the corrugated board at the Depot unless you keep it. If brought to the Depot in plastic bags, dump the newspaper from the bag and dispose of the plastic bags properly.

- **MIXED PAPER** includes magazines, catalogs, envelopes, all junk mail, soft cover book, hard cover books with the covers removed, office paper, computer printouts, telephone books chipboard (cereal boxes, etc.), and blueprints. Mixed paper is *not* collected curbside, but is accepted at the Depot. Brown paper bags must be placed with the corrugated board.

No plastic

of any type with the mixed paper!!!

- **THE RECYCLING INFORMATION LINE**, 201-837-1600 Ext. 1946, is a prerecorded message which gives the recycling schedule for the current week. Also, information concerning

the interruption of services due to snow plowing and/or removal operations will be available on the Information Line.

- **THE RECYCLING DEPOT**, located within the DPW complex at 1600 River Rd, is open Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday from 7 AM to 2:45 PM, except for some holidays. For those holidays that the Depot is closed, refer to the calendar. The Depot is always closed on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. The Depot may also be closed during snow plowing and/or removal operation. Call 201-837-1600 Ext. 1946 for information on possible interruption of services.

- **RECYCLING (COMMINGLED & NEWSPAPERS) AND GARDEN DEBRIS PICK UP** is according to the schedule shown in the calendar. These materials may be placed at curbside no earlier than 6 PM of the night before your scheduled collection day, but no later than 7 AM on collection day. Rain or shine, curbside collection will take place, except during certain snow plowing and/or removal operations. Call 201-837-1600 Ext. 1946 for information on possible interruption of services.

- **LEAF COLLECTION** begins on October 13th. Starting on this date and through December 7th leaves, grass cuttings & small plant material can be placed loose in the street, in front of your house, at the curb. Do not place branches, or large plant material with the leaves as they aren't suitable for composting with leaves, and could damage the street cleaning equipment. These will be collected as garden debris in January 2010, or you may bring them to the Depot.

- **CORRUGATED BOARD** acceptable for recycling must be of USA manufacture and not wax coated. The material must be flattened and taken to the Depot, it is not picked up curbside.

- **BATTERIES** Recycling depot only excepts vehicle batteries. This material *is not* picked up curbside. For all other types of battery disposal, Please

[click here](#)

- **GARDEN DEBRIS** is collected curbside weekly between generally starting the first week of April to the Thursday before Columbus Day Weekend. Grass, leaves & small plant material must be in either non-disposable containers or biodegradable paper bags, each container weighing not more than 50 pounds each. Branches and shrubs must be cut into lengths not greater than 4 feet, and tied into bundles weighing less than 50 pounds each. Containers must have 2 handles. Landscapers & lawn services must comply with these requirements. Material not properly contained will not be picked up. Garden debris brought to the Depot need not be containerized or tied, but must *not* be left in plastic bags.

- **COMPACT FLUORESCENT BULBS** are not considered recyclable nor are they to be disposed of in regular solid waste. They are considered hazardous waste and may only be disposed of as part of the BCUA's hazardous waste disposal programs.

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